

# Curriculum Vitae

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#### Personal

Marital Status: Married Allison Sweeney

Children: Alexander

#### **Education**

1981, Ph.D. in History, Yale University (thesis, "Whence This Strange Fire? Religious and Reform Movements in Vermont, 1791-1843," David Brion Davis and Howard R. Lamar, advisors)

1973, B.A., with honors and distinction, in History, Stanford University (thesis, "Progressive Reform and Socialism in Berkeley, California, 1877-1924," Carl Degler and Barton Bernstein, advisors)

#### **Academic Positions**

1985-present, The Ohio State University: College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Professor of History and Sociology 1978-1985, Grinnell College: Assistant Professor of History 1978, University of Vermont: Instructor in History 1974-1977, Graduate Teaching Assistant, Yale University

#### **Honorary Positions**

2012, Wayne N. Aspinall Visiting Chair Professor, University of Colorado Mesa

### **Professional Honors and Awards for Scholarship**

2022, Inaugural Distinguished Scholar Award, Division of Historical Criminology, American Society of Criminology

2013-2016, Member, Roundtable on Crime Trends in America, National Research Council, National Academy of Sciences

2012, Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science

2011, Michael J. Hindelang Award, American Society of Criminology, for the outstanding contribution to criminology over the previous three years

2010, Allan Sharlin Memorial Award, Social Science History Association,

for an outstanding book in social science history

2010, Outstanding Academic Books, Choice

1988, E. Harold Hugo Memorial Book Prize, Old Sturbridge Village Research Society, for distinguished work in the history of rural society

1982, Theron Rockwell Field Prize, Yale University, for the outstanding dissertation in the Humanities

1982, George Washington Eggleston Prize, Yale University, for the outstanding dissertation in American history

1973, James Birdsall Weter Prize, Stanford University, for the outstanding senior thesis in history

### **Professional Honors and Awards for Teaching**

2017, Rodica C. Botoman Award for Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching and Mentoring, College of Arts and Humanities

2013, Outstanding Teaching Award, College of Arts and Sciences Student Council

2009, Ohio State University Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching

2007, Distinguished Teaching Award, Ohio Academy of History

1995, Clio Award, Phi Alpha Theta Honor Society, for Distinguished Teaching in History at Ohio State University

#### Grants

2013-2014, Research Grant, Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation

2012-2015, Research Grant, National Science Foundation (SES-1228406)

2000, Fellowship for University Teachers, National Endowment for the Humanities

1998-2000, Research Grant and Supplemental Research Grant, National Science Foundation (SBR-9808050)

1992, Fellow, Workshop on the Rhetoric of Social History, University of Iowa

1989-1990, Research Fellowship, Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation

1987, National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Stipend

1983, Research Fellowship for Recent Recipients of the Ph.D., American Council of Learned Societies

1981, Fred Harris Daniels Fellowship, American Antiquarian Society

#### **Bibliography and Research**

#### **Books**

American Homicide (an interregional study of violent crime and violent death in America from colonial times to the present). The Belknap Press of Harvard University Press (2009), 655 pp.

The Democratic Dilemma: Religion, Reform, and the Social Order in the Connecticut River Valley of Vermont, 1791-1850. Cambridge University Press (1987), 399 pp.

#### **Edited Volumes**

Co-founder and co-director, Historical Violence Database (on-line database on violent crime, violent death, and collective violence). Web address: <a href="https://www.sociology.ohio-state.edu/cjrc/hvd">www.sociology.ohio-state.edu/cjrc/hvd</a>

American Homicide Supplementary Volume (on-line supplement to *American Homicide*, including detailed appendices on methods, supplemental tables, graphs, and statistical analyses), approx. 750 pp. Web address: <a href="http://cjrc.osu.edu/researchprojects/hvd/AHsup.html">http://cjrc.osu.edu/researchprojects/hvd/AHsup.html</a>

#### **Essays on Historical Subjects**

"Government Legitimacy, Social Solidarity, and America Homicide in Historical Perspective." (New York: Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation, 2024).

"Defining, Recording, and Measuring Crime in the United States from Colonial Times to the Present," in James Campbell and Vivien Miller, eds., *The Routledge History of Crime in America* (New York: Routledge, forthcoming, 2024).

- "Data Drudges Unite! Taking Stock of Historical Studies of Homicide," in Karen F. Parker, Richard Stansfield, and Ashley Mancik, eds., *Taking Stock of Homicide: Trends, Emerging Themes and Challenges* (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 2023), 11-24.
- "Homicide and the Opioid Epidemic: A Longitudinal Analysis," co-authored with Richard Rosenfeld and Joel Wallman. *Homicide Studies* 27:3 (2023), 321-337.
- "The Opioid Epidemic and Homicide in the United States," co-authored with Richard Rosenfeld and Joel Wallman. *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency* 58: 1 (2021): 1-46.
- "Homicide-Suicide by Women against Intimate Partners," co-authored with Wendy C. Regoeczi, in Todd Shackelford, ed., *Sage Handbook of Domestic Violence* (Newbury Park: Sage Publications, 2020), v 1, 318-329.
- "Why Guns Are and Aren't the Problem: The Relationship between Guns and Homicide in American History," in Jennifer Tucker, Barton C. Hacker, and Margaret Vining, eds., *A Right to Bear Arms? The Contested Role of History in Contemporary Debates on the Second Amendment* (Washington, D.C.: Smithsonian Institution Scholarly Press, 2019), 113-133.
- "Does Better Angels of Our Nature Hold Up as History?" *Historical Reflections* 44: 1 (2018): 91-103.
- "Criminologists and Historians of Crime: A Partnership Well Worth Pursuing." *Crime, History, and Societies* 21: 2 (2017): 387-399.
- "How Exceptional Is the History of Violence and Criminal Justice in the United States? Variation across Time and Space as the Keys to Understanding Homicide and Punitiveness," in Kevin Reitz, ed. *American Exceptionalism in Crime and Punishment* (Oxford University Press, 2017).
- "Getting Things Wrong Really Does Help, as Long as You Keep Trying to Get Things Right: Developing Theories About Why Homicide Rates Rise and Fall" in Michael D. Maltz and Stephen Rice, eds., *Envisioning Criminology: Researchers on Research as a Process of Discovery* (Springer Verlag, 2015), 143-150.
- "Roundtable on History Meets Biology: Introduction," *American Historical Review* (2014) 119: 1492-1499. Principal author and organizer of the Roundtable.

"Emotions, Facultative Adaptation, and the History of Homicide," *American Historical Review* (2014) 119: 1529-1546.

- "Gender, Sex, and Intimate-Partner Violence in Historical Perspective," in Rosemary Gartner and William McCarthy, eds., *Oxford Handbook on Gender, Sex, and Crime* (Oxford University Press, 2014), 175-190.
- "The Importance of Testing Criminological Theories in Historical Context: The Civilization Thesis versus the Nation-Building Hypothesis," *Criminology* online: Presidential Session Papers from the American Society of Criminology (2014)
- "Making Sense of Violence? Reflections on the History of Interpersonal Violence in Europe," *Crime, History, and Societies* (2013) 17: 5-26. Richard McMahon, Joachim Eibach, and Randolph Roth. Introduction to a special issue solicited by the Board of Editors of *Crime, History, and Societies*, co-edited with Joachim Eibach, University of Berne, and Richard McMahon, University of Liverpool.
- "Scientific History and Experimental History," *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* (2013) 43: 443-458.
- "Measuring Feelings and Beliefs that May Facilitate (or Deter) Homicide," *Homicide Studies* (2012) 16: 196-217.
- "Yes We Can: Working Together toward a History of Homicide That Is Empirically, Mathematically, and Theoretically Sound," *Crime, History, and Societies* (2011) 15: 131-145.
- "Biology and the Deep History of Homicide," *British Journal of Criminology* (2011) 51: 535-555.
- "Homicide Rates in the Old West." *Western Historical Quarterly*. Randolph Roth, Michael D. Maltz, and Douglas L. Eckberg (2011) 42: 173-195.
- "American Homicide: Theory, Methods, Body Counts." *Historical Methods* (2010) 43: 185-192.
- "The Historical Violence Database: A Collaborative Research Project on the History of Violent Crime and Violent Death." *Historical Methods*. Randolph Roth, Cornelia Hughes Dayton, Kenneth Wheeler, James Watkinson, Robb Haberman, James M. Denham, and Douglas L. Eckberg (2008) 41: 81-98.
- "Homicide in Florida, 1821-1861: A Quantitative Analysis." *Florida Historical Quarterly*. Randolph Roth and James M. Denham (2007) 86: 216-239.
- "Guns, Murder, and Probability: How Can We Decide Which Figures to Trust?"

Reviews in American History (2007) 35: 165-75.

"Twin Evils? Slavery and Homicide in Early America," in Steven Mintz and John Stauffer, eds., *The Problem of Evil: Slavery, Freedom, and the Ambiguities of American Reform.* Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press (2007), 74-88.

"Rural Communities," in Feintuch, Burt and David H. Watters, eds., *Encyclopedia of New England*. Yale University Press (2005), 53-55.

"Counting Guns: What Social Science Historians Know and Could Learn about Gun Ownership, Gun Culture, and Gun Violence in the United States," *Social Science History* (2002) 26: 699-708.

"Guns, Gun Culture, and Homicide: The Relationship between Firearms, the Uses of Firearms, and Interpersonal Violence in Early America," *William and Mary Quarterly* (2002) 59: 223-240.

"Homicide in Early Modern England, 1549-1800: The Need for a Quantitative Synthesis." *Crime, History, and Societies* (2001) 5: 33-67.

"Child Murder in New England," Social Science History (2001) 25: 101-147.

"Spousal Murder in Northern New England, 1791-1865," in Christine Daniels, ed., *Over the Threshold: Intimate Violence in Early America*, 1640-1865. Routledge Press (1999), 65-93.

"'Blood Calls for Vengeance!': The History of Capital Punishment in Vermont," in Michael Sherman, ed., *Vermont State Government*. Vermont Secretary of State and Vermont Historical Society (1997), 10-25.

"The Generation Conflict Reconsidered," in *American Vistas*, ed. Leonard Dinnerstein & Kenneth T. Jackson. Oxford University Press (7th ed. 1995), 116-127.

"The Other Masonic Outrage: The Death and Transfiguration of Joseph Burnham," *Journal of the Early Republic* (1994) 14: 35-69.

"The First Radical Abolitionists: The Reverend James Milligan and the Reformed Presbyterians of Vermont," *New England Quarterly* (1982) 55: 540-563.

#### **Essays on Methods and Theory**

"'To Err Is Human': Uniformly Reporting Medical Errors and Near Misses, a Naïve, Costly, and Misdirected Goal." *Journal of the American College of* 

*Surgeons*. Charles H. Andrus, Eduardo G. Villasenor, John B. Kettelle, Randolph Roth, Allison M. Sweeney, and Nathaniel M. Matolo (2003) 196: 911-918.

"Is There a Democratic Alternative to Republicanism? The Rhetoric and Politics of Synthesis in American History," in Jeffrey Cox and Sheldon Stromquist, eds., *Contesting the Master Narrative: Essays in Social History*. University of Iowa Press (1998), 210-256.

"Did Class Matter in American Politics? The Importance of Exploratory Data Analysis," *Historical Methods* (1998) 31: 5-25.

"Is History a Process? Revitalization Theory, Nonlinearity, and the Central Metaphor of Social Science History," *Social Science History* (1992) 16: 197-243.

"Ecological Regression and the Analysis of Voter Behavior," *Historical Methods* (1986) 19: 103-117.

#### **Public History Essays**

"Can Faith Change the World? Religion and Society in Vermont's Age of Reform," *Vermont History* (2001) 69: 7-18.

"Wayward Youths: Raising Adolescents in Vermont, 1777-1815," *Vermont History* (1991) 59: 85-96.

"Why Are We Still Vermonters? Vermont's Identity Crisis and the Founding of the Vermont Historical Society," *Vermont History* (1991) 59: 197-211.

#### **Works in Progress**

*Child Murder in America*. An interregional study of murders of and by children from colonial times to the present (in manuscript through early 20<sup>th</sup> century)

"How Scientific Is Environmentalist History? The Rhetoric and Politics of Speaking for Nature" (essay in manuscript)

#### **Editorial Boards**

2014-2017, American Historical Review 2012-2016, 1995-2005, Historical Methods 2011-, Homicide Studies 2004-, Crime, History, and Societies

#### **Invited Lectures**

"Why Have Homicide Rates Gone Up since 2015? A Historical Perspective." Knowledge against Violence Series, Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation, March 30, 2023.

"Trust, Legitimacy, and the Recent Rise in Homicide in the United States," Council on Criminal Justice, Washington, D.C., October 19, 2022.

"The History of Police Involved Homicides in the United States," Mary Immaculate College & the University of Limerick, Ireland, October 26, 2021.

"Firearms and Homicide in the United States: A History," British Crime Historians Symposium, Leeds University, Great Britain, Scheduled for September 2-3, 2021.

"The History of Cross-National Homicide Rates: What We Can Learn from the Available Historical Data, and Why We Have to Worry about Learning the Wrong Lessons," Bielefeld University, Germany, scheduled for April 29, 2020. Postponed.

"Inequality," Ashland University, October 16, 2019.

"The History of Gun Violence in America," Shasta Seminar, Wesleyan University, October 28, 2017.

"Why Guns Are and Aren't the Problem," Ashland University Center for the Study of Nonviolence, Ashland University, April 1, 2017.

"Firearms and Violence in American History," Aspen Institute, September 15, 2016, Washington, D.C.

"Homicide in the United States: The Long History and Recent Trends," The Donald and Margaret Sherman Violence Prevention Lecture, Jerry Lee Center of Criminology, University of Pennsylvania, April 10, 2015.

"The History of Child Murder," Andrew Young School of Public Policy, Georgia State University, January 28, 2014.

"The Causes of Homicide," National Institute of Justice, December 2, 2013.

"Biology, History, and the Causes of Homicide," School of Law, University of Buffalo, October 10, 2013.

"Bio-Historical Co-Evolution and the Biology of Social Behavior: The Prospects for a New Institute on History and the Sciences," Max Planck Institutes, Berlin, Germany, June 27, 2013.

- "Deterrence, Judicial Tolerance, and the Homicide Problem in America," Robina Institute of Criminal Law and Justice, University of Minnesota, April 26, 2013
- "Child Murder in America: A History," Population Studies Center and Department of History, University of Michigan, April 8, 2013
- "America's Homicide Problem," Northwestern University School of Law, November 16, 2012
- "American Homicide," Aspinall Lecture, Colorado Mesa University, April 5, 2012
- "Quantitative Analysis of the History of Crime and Violence: Achievements and Prospects," Keynote Address, Conference on "Making Sense of Violence," University of Bern, September 8, 2011
- "Can We Learn to Play Well with Others? Enlisting the Humanities, the Sciences, and the Social Sciences in the Study of Violence." Conference on Emerging Disciplines, Humanities Research Center, Rice University, February 25, 2011
- "American Homicide," Washington Forum, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, May 25, 2010
- "Can We Learn to Play Well with Others? Enlisting the Humanities, the Sciences, and the Social Sciences in the Study of Violence." Presidential Plenary Address, Southwestern Social Science Association, Houston, Texas, April 1, 2010
- "Homicide on Florida's Antebellum Frontier," Robert and Rose Stahl Criminal Justice Lecture, Lawton M. Chiles Center for Florida History, Florida Southern College, Lakeland, Florida, March 25, 2010
- "Homicide in the American Backcountry, 1717-1850," Keynote Address at the "From Borderland to Backcountry Conference: Frontier Communities in Comparative Perspective" at the University of Dundee, Scotland, July 7, 2009
- "Research Strategies for Studying the History of Crime and Violence," Seminar on Crime and Criminal Justice, Northwestern University School of Law, Nov. 15, 2007
- "American Homicide: Its History," Ohio State University at Newark, Nov. 6,

2007

"American Homicide: A Political Hypothesis" and "The Case for Social Science History," Northern Illinois University, April 4-5, 2007

"What Historians Can and Might Learn from Legal Sources." Seminar in Early American History, Northwestern University, Jan. 31, 2007

"Why Is America a Homicidal Nation? A Political Hypothesis," lecture in the Historical Approaches in the Social Sciences series, State University of New York at Binghamton, Oct. 12, 2006

"The History of American Homicide," Winter College, Ohio State University, Sarasota, Florida, February 24, 2006

"The Role of Small Arms in American History," Small Arms Working Group, Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation, Columbia University, June 2005

"Why is the United States So Homicidal Compared to Other Western Democracies? A Political and Psychological Hypothesis," Center for Historical Research and Documentation on War and Contemporary Societies, Belgian Ministry of Scientific Research, Brussels, Belgium, December 2004

"The History of American Homicide," Center for Law, Policy, and Social Science, Moritz College of Law, Ohio State University, November 2004

"Peaceable Kingdoms? Harmony and Hostility in the Early American Family," Plenary Session, Society of Historians of the Early American Republic, July 22, 2004

"American Homicide," Department of History, Miami University, March, 2004

"Slavery, Freedom, and the History of African-American Homicide." School of Law and Department of History, University of Chicago, January, 2003

"American Homicide," School of Law, Stanford University, February, 2003

Workshop of the Study of the History of Homicide, Department of History, Stanford University, February, 2003

"American Homicide," Social Science Faculty Seminar, Stanford University, February, 2003

"American Homicide," School of Law, Northwestern University, September, 2003

"American Homicide," School of Law, University of Chicago, November, 2002

"Twin Evils?: The Relationship between Slavery and Homicide," Department of History, Yale University, May, 2002

"The Puzzle of American Homicide," School of Law, Northwestern University, November, 2001

"Why Northern New Englanders Seldom Commit Murder: An Interregional History of Homicide in America," and "The Historical Database Project on Crime and Violence in America," two lectures presented at the Charles Warren Center, Harvard University. May, 2000

"Understanding Homicide in America: An Interregional Approach," presentation to the Early American History Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, October, 1999

"Can Faith Change the World?" Keynote address, Conference on Reform in Antebellum Vermont, Vermont Historical Society, September, 1999

"Why Northern New Englanders Seldom Commit Murder," presentation to the Center for Research on Vermont, the University of Vermont, and the Vermont Council on the Humanities. The presentation was televised in Vermont. It also made the evening news in Burlington and an AP wire story on my presentation was printed widely in newspapers in New Hampshire and Vermont, April, 1999

#### Papers Delivered at Professional Meetings (recent)

"The Social and Geographical Context of Child Homicides in the United States, 1989-2015," Homicide Research Working Group, June 2, 2022, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, and Social Science History Association, November 17, 2022, Chicago.

"The Difficulty of Counting the Number of Children Killed in Homicides in the United States, 1959-Present." Social Science History Association, November 23, 2019, Chicago.

"Police Involved Homicides in Ohio, 1959-1988," American Society of Criminology, November 13, 2019, San Francisco, with Wendy Regoczi and Rania Issa.

"Can Criminologists and Historians of Crime Work Together More Fruitfully in the Future?" Social Science History Association, November 3, 2017, Montreal. "Comparing Data Sources on the Police Use of Lethal Force," American Society of Criminology, November 15, 2017, Philadelphia, with Wendy Regoczi and Rania Issa.

"The History of Mass Murder," American Historical Association, January 6, 2017, Denver.

"The Historians' Role in Criminal Justice Research," American Society of Criminology, November 16, 2016, New Orleans

"Police and Security Guard Involved Homicides in Ohio, 1959-1988," American Society of Criminology, November 18, 2016, New Orleans

"Why History and Biology Matter to One Another: The Epigenetics of Social Behavior," American Historical Association, New York City, January 4, 2015

"The National Homicide Data Improvement Project, 1959-Present: Why Research in Multiple Sources Changes Dramatically Our Understanding of the Incidence and Character of Homicides in the United States," American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, November 19, 2014

"The Relationship between Guns, Homicides, and Suicide in American History," Organization of American Historians, Atlanta, April 4, 2014

"Situating Crime in Macro-Social and Historical Context," Presidential Panel, American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, November 22, 2013

"Has Violence Declined since the Middle Ages?" Presidential Panel, American Society of Criminology, Chicago, November 15, 2012

"The Sudden Appearance of Sexual Serial Killers in Late-Nineteenth Century America," Organization of American Historians, Houston, March 20, 2011

"The Biology of Social Behavior" at the annual conference of the Society of Historians of the Early American Republic, Philadelphia, July 15, 2011

"Measuring Feelings and Beliefs that May Facilitate (or Deter) Homicide," at the American Society of Criminology meeting in Washington, D.C., November 16, 2011

"Measuring Feelings and Beliefs that May Facilitate (or Deter) Homicide," at the Social Science History Association meeting in Boston, November 20, 2011

"Author Meets Critics" session on American Homicide at the European Social

Science History conference in Ghent, Belgium, April 13, 2010. Discussants: Manuel Eisner, Peter King, and Pieter Spierenburg

- "The Relationship between Guns and Homicide in American History," American Society of Criminology conference in San Francisco, November 18, 2010
- "Author Meets Critics" session on American Homicide at the Social Science History Association conference in Chicago, November 20, 2010. Discussants: Richard McMahon, Douglas Eckberg, Donald Fyson, and John Carter Wood
- "Does Honor Hold the Key to Understanding Violence in the Early Republic," Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Springfield, Illinois, July 2009.
- "The Difficulty of Reconciling the Homicide Counts in the National Center for Health Statistics Mortality Data and the FBI Supplementary Homicide Reports," Social Science History Association, Long Beach, California, November, 2009
- "Homicide in American History," Ohio Academy of History, Dayton, Ohio, April 12, 2008
- "Quantification and Social Theory in the Study of Crime and Violence," in the Presidential Panel on "History in the Social Science History of Association: Disciplinary Developments," Social Science History Association, Chicago, Nov. 15-18, 2007
- "Are Modern and Early Modern Homicide Rates Comparable? The Impact of Non-Emergency Medicine," Social Science History Association, Chicago, Nov. 15-18, 2007
- "How Homicidal Was Antebellum Florida?" Gulf South History and Humanities Conference, Pensacola, Florida, Oct. 6, 2006
- "Probability and Homicide Rates: Why We Can Be Certain the Nineteenth-Century West Was Violent." Social Science History Association convention in Minneapolis, Nov. 2-5, 2006
- "The Historical Violence Database: A Collaborative Research Project on the History of Violent Crime and Violent Death." Social Science History Association convention in Minneapolis, Nov. 2-5, 2006
- "Big Social Science: What Could We Learn about Violent Crime If We Had Enough Money to Study It Properly? Possibilities for Collaborative Research Projects," Social Science History Association, Portland, Oregon, November 3-6, 2005

#### **Reviews**

Nicholas Keefauver Roland, Violence in the Hill Country: The Texas Frontier in the Civil War Era (New Mexico Historical Review 2023).

T. Cole Jones, Captives of Liberty: Prisoners of War and the Politics of Vengeance in the American Revolution (American Historical Review, 2021).

Chris Murphy, *The Violence Inside Us: A Brief History of an Ongoing American Tragedy* (Criminal Law and Criminal Justice Books, 2020).

Jeffrey S. Adler, *Murder in New Orleans: The Creation of Jim Crow Policing*. (Punishment and Society, 2020).

Heidi J. Osselaer, Arizona's Deadliest Gunfight: Draft Resistance and Tragedy at the Power Cabin, 1918. (Western Historical Quarterly, 2020).

Iain McGilchrist, *The Master and His Emissary: The Divided Brain and the Making of the Western World.* (Journal of Interdisciplinary History, 2011).

Heather Cox Richardson, Wounded Knee: Party Politics and the Road to an American Massacre. (Journal of the Civil War Era, 2011).

Bill Neal, Sex, Murder, and the Unwritten Law: Gender and Judicial Mayhem, Texas Style. (New Mexico Historical Quarterly, 2010).

Gordon Morris Bakken and Brenda Farrington, *Women Who Kill Men: California Courts, Gender, and the Press.* (Pacific Northwest Quarterly, 2010).

Jack D. Marietta and Gail S. Rowe, *Troubled Experiment: Crime, Justice, and Society in Pennsylvania, 1682-1800.* (William and Mary Quarterly, 2010).

Mark R. Pogrebin, Paul B. Stretesky, and N. Prabha Unnithan, *Guns, Violence, and Criminal Behavior: The Offender's Perspective*. (Criminal Justice Review, 2010)

Nicole Rafter, *The Criminal Brain: Understanding Biological Theories of Crime.* (Journal of Interdisciplinary History, 2009.)

Laura Browder, Her Best Shot: Women and Guns in America (Winterthur Portfolio 2007).

Paul M. Searls, Two Vermonts: Geography and Identity, 1865-1910 (Vermont

History, 2006).

Anu Koskivirta, *The Enemy Within: Homicide and Control in Eastern Finland in the Final Years of Swedish Rule, 1748-1808* (English Historical Review 2005).

Irene Quenzler Brown and Richard D. Brown, *The Hanging of Ephraim Wheeler:* A Story of Rape, Incest, and Justice in Early American (H-SHEAR, 2003).

T. D. S. Bassett, *The Gods of the Hills* (New England Quarterly, 2001).

Karen Halttunen, Murder Most Foul: The Killer and the American Gothic Imagination (H-SHEAR, 1999).

Charles E. Clark, *The Meetinghouse Disaster* (Journal of American History, 1999).

Nicholas N. Kittrie and Eldon D. Wedlock, Jr., *The Tree of Liberty: A Documentary History of Rebellion and Political Crime in America* (Journal of the Early Republic, 1998).

Robert E. Shalhope, *Bennington and the Green Mountain Boys: The Emergence of Liberal Democracy in Vermont, 1790-1850* (Reviews in American History, 1997).

Daniel Doan, *Indian Stream Republic: Settling a New England Frontier* (Journal of the Early Republic, 1997).

Thomas H. Jeavons, When the Bottom Line is Faithfulness: Management of Christian Service Organizations (American Historical Review, 1996).

N. Prabha Unnithan, *The Currents of Lethal Violence: an Integrated Model of Suicide & Homicide* (Justice Quarterly, 1995).

Edward Jarvis, *Traditions and Reminiscences of Concord, Massachusetts,* 1779-1878 (Journal of the Early Republic, 1995).

Charles Hoffman and Tess Hoffman, *Brotherly Love: Murder and the Politics of Prejudice in Nineteenth-Century Rhode Island* (American Historical Review, 1994).

Richard Bushman, *The Refinement of America: Persons, Houses, Cities* (Pennsylvania History, 1994).

Michael Bellisiles, Revolutionary Outlaws: Ethan Allen and Vermont's Struggle for Independence (William and Mary Quarterly, 1994).

David G. Hackett, *The Rude Hand of Innovation: Religion and Social Order in Albany, New York, 1652-1836* (American Historical Review, 1992).

Nat Brandt, *The Congressman Who Got Away With Murder* (New York History, 1992).

Tamara Plakins Thornton, Cultivating Gentlemen: The Meaning of Country Life Among the Boston Elite, 1785-1860 (American Historical Review, 1991).

George M. Thomas, *Revivalism and Cultural Change: Christianity, Nation Building, and the Market in the Nineteenth-Century United States* (Pennsylvania History, 1991).

Richard D. Brown, *Knowledge is Power: The Diffusion of Information in Early America*, 1700-1865 (The History of Education Quarterly, 1990).

William J. Gilmore, Reading Becomes a Necessity of Life: Material and Cultural Life in Rural New England, 1780-1865 (Vermont History, 1990).

Ruth Alden Doan, *The Miller Heresy, Millennialism, and American Culture* (Journal of the Early Republic, 1988).

William Lynwood Montell, *Killings: Folk Justice in the Upper South* (International Journal of Oral History, 1987).

David R. Kasserman, Fall River Outrage: Life, Murder, and Justice in Early Industrial New England (Journal of American History, 1987).

Robert J. Wilson III, *The Benevolent Diety: Ebenezer Gay and the Rise of Rational Religion in New England* (New England Quarterly, 1985).

## Languages

German Spanish French (reading)

#### **Quantitative Skills**

Probability and Statistics (including econometric techniques of political analysis, exploratory data analysis, and log-linear and logit analysis)
Calculus and Analytical Geometry

Linear Algebra and Nonlinear Dynamics Differential and Series Equations Abstract Algebra

### **Teaching**

#### Graduate

History 7000	Topics in American History to 1877
History 7003	Readings in the Early Republic and Antebellum America
History 7650	Studies in World History
History 7900	Colloquium in the Philosophy of History, Historiography,
	and the Historian's Skills
History 8000	Seminar in Early American History

# Undergraduate

History 2001	American Civilization, 1607-1877 (and Honors)
History 2015	History of American Criminal Justice
History 2650	World History since 1914
History 2800	Introduction to Historical
History 3164	World History since 1914: Readings
History 3193	Individual Studies / Research Internships in History
History 3700	American Environmental History
History 4650	History of Violence: Readings in World / Global /
	Transnational History
History 4675	Global History of Violence: Research Seminar
History 5900	Introduction to Quantitative Methods in History
History 598	Religious and Reform Movements (Senior Colloquium)
History 598	Research Seminar on Violent Crime and Death in the U.S.
History 557.02	Jeffersonian and Jacksonian Democracy, 1800-1840
·	Thought
History 282	American Religious History

## **Publications on Teaching**

Founder and contributor to *Retrieving the American Past*, Department of History and Pearson Publishing, a flexible, problem-oriented publication for teaching classes in American History. Author of modules on "Violent Crime in Early America," "Marriage in Colonial America," and "Growing Up in Nineteenth-Century America."

## **Ph.D Students Supervised**

Daniel Vandersommers, "Laboratories, Lyceums, and Lords: Zoos, Zoology, and the Transformation of Humanism in Nineteenth-Century America," August 2014. Recipient of a Presidential Fellowship, 2013-2014, the most prestigious

University fellowship for senior graduate students. Assistant Professor of History, University of Dayton.

Michael Alarid, ""Caudillo Justice: Intercultural Conflict and Social Change in Santa Fe, New Mexico, 1837-1853," June 2012. Associate Professor of History, University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

Matthew Foulds, "Enemies of the State: Methodists, Secession and Civil War in Western Virginia, 1844-1865," December 2011. Former Assistant Professor of History, Shepherd University

Jeanette Davis Mantilla, "Hush, Hush Miss Charlotte: Twenty-Five Years of Civil Rights Struggles in San Francisco, 1850-1875," April 2000. Administrator in Charter School Division of the Department of Education, State of Ohio

Ken Wheeler, "The Antebellum College in the Old Northwest: Higher Education and the Defining of the Midwest," January 1999. Professor of History, Reinhardt College. Author of *Cultivating Regionalism: Higher Education and the Making of the American Midwest* (Northern Illinois University Press, 2011)

Ross Bagby, "The Randolph Slave Saga." July 1998. Librarian and independent scholar

Marianne Holdzkom, "Parody and Pastiche Images of the American Revolution in Popular Culture, 1765-1820," May 1995. Professor of Social and International Studies, Southern Polytechnic State University

David Thomas, "Religion in the Far West: Oregon's Willamette Valley, 1830-1850," November 1993. Professor of History, Union College

### **Recent Senior Honors Thesis Students Supervised (recently)**

Maggie Seikel, "The Great Depression in More Ways than One: Why Do Americans Commit Suicide More Often during Economic Crises?" (Anticipated 2021).

Margo Hertzer, "Police Involved Homicides in Ohio, 1959-1988." (Anticipated 2021).

Laura Janosik, "Homicides Involving Women in Ohio, 1959-1988." (2020). Prospective applicant to graduate school in history.

Ben St. Angelo, "How Labor Disputes Led to Violence: Personalities, Paternalism, and Power at Republic Steel in Youngstown, Ohio: 1937." (2017). Ph.D. student in History at Ohio State University.

Sarah Paxton, "The Bloody Ould Sixth Ward: Crime and Society in Five Points, New York" (2012). Ph.D. candidate in criminal justice history J.D. candidate at the Moritz School of Law at Ohio State University (twin degree program).

Kristen Gaston, "Restoration of the Cuyahoga River" (2012). Ph.D. candidate in Environmental History at the University of Cincinnati.

Alexandra Finley, "Founding Chestnut Ridge: The Origins of Central West Virginia's Multiracial Community" (2010). Ph.D. candidate in early American history at the College of William and Mary. Recipient of the first Annual Prize at Ohio State for the outstanding senior honors thesis in the Department of History.

#### Service

# **Service in Professional Organizations**

2013-present, Grant Review Board, Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation

2008-present, Editorial Board, Crime, History, and Societies.

2011-present, Editorial Board, Homicide Studies.

2022 Michael J. Hindelang Award Committee, American Society of Criminology, for the outstanding book published over the previous three years.

2018-2019 Allen Sharlin Book Prize Committee, Social Science History Association

2014-2017, Board of Editors, American Historical Review

2014-15, 2016-17, Program Committee, American Society of Criminology

2014-2017, Research Awards Committee, Ohio Academy of History.

2011-2014, Chair, Distinguish Teaching Award Committee, Ohio Academy of History

2010-2011, Allan Sharlin Memorial Prize Committee, Social Science History Association

2010- Ohio Violent Death Reporting System Advisory Board

2010-2013, Advisory Board, Society for Historians of the Early American Republic

2008-, Society for the Scientific Detection of Crime, Columbus, Ohio

2009-2011, Youth Violence Prevention Advisory Board (Columbus)

2003, Nominating Committee, Social Science History Association

2002-, Co-founder and co-director, Historical Violence Database

1995-1997, ABC-Clio America: History and Life Award Committee, Organization of American Historians

1987-1993, Chair, Methods and Theory Network, Social Science History Association

1987, Program Committee, Social Science History Association

# **Reviews of Manuscripts**

American Historical Review

Journal of American History

William and Mary Quarterly

Journal of the Early Republic

Social Science History

Journal of Interdisciplinary History

Historical Methods

Journal of Women's History

Journal of the Family

Crime, History, and Societies

European Journal of Criminology

American Journal of Sociology

Sociological Quarterly

Criminology

Criminal Justice Review

Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology

Law and Social Inquiry

Homicide Studies

International Criminal Justice Review

International Journal of Law, Crime, and Justice

Law and Society Review

City and Community

Eras Review

Western Historical Quarterly

Canadian Journal of Sociology

Journal of the Gilded Age

#### **Memberships in Professional Organizations (current)**

American Historical Association

Organization of American Historians

Social Science History Association

European Social Science History Association

American Society of Criminology

Homicide Studies Working Group

American Association for the Advancement of Science

### **Service at Ohio State University**

#### **Department**

2006-2010, 2018-present, Undergraduate Placement / Enhancement Officer

1994-2015, 2018-present, Undergraduate Teaching Committee

2017-2018, Chair of Grievance Committee

2015-2017, 1991-1993, Chair of Graduate Studies

2012-2013, Chair of Undergraduate Studies

2011-2013, Advisory Committee and Salary Committee

1987-1991, History Department Promotion & Tenure Committee

### **College of Humanities**

2007-2009, Curriculum Committee, College of Humanities

2002-2005, College of Humanities Computing Advisory Committee

1996-1997, College of Humanities Committee on the Center for the Study and Teaching of Writing, 1996-7; Affiliated Faculty Member, 2000-

#### **College of Arts and Sciences**

2006-2009, Alternate, Arts and Sciences Faculty Senate

2006-, Advisory Board, Criminal Justice Research Center, Department of Criminology and Sociology

2004-, Fellow, Center for Law, Policy, and Social Science, Moritz College of Law

2000-, Fellow, Criminal Justice Research Center, College of Social and Behavior Sciences

#### **Graduate School**

2018-, Graduate Awards Review Committee

#### **Ohio Department of Higher Education**

2020-, Transfer Assurance Guide Review Panel, Ohio Articulation and Transfer Network

# Service at Grinnell College

Chairman, African-American Studies Committee

Rosenfield Program on Public Affairs Committee

**Faculty-Trustee Committee** 

# **Community Service**

2001-2008, Chair, Community Services Advisory Commission, City of Dublin: advises City Council on all matters concerning utilities, policing, transportation, parks, recreation, waste management, etc.,

2004-present, Green Team, environmental projects volunteer organization, City of Dublin

2003-12, Committee to create an Indian burial mound and pioneer historic park at the Wright-Holder earthworks, City of Dublin

1997-present, Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop 299, Dublin / Citizenship Merit Badge Counselor / Eagle Scout Association / Philmont Staff Association / Distinguished Service Award, 2014 / Meritorious Service Award, 2006 / Bridge Builder Award, 2002

1997-2003, Good Schools Committee, Dublin City Schools, campaign committee for school bond and levy issues

1995-2005, President, Citizens for Dublin, city-wide association of civic association officers and city commission members

1995-1998, Vice-Chair, Transportation Task Force, City of Dublin

1995-1997, Community Plan Steering Committee, City of Dublin

1988-present, President / Vice President / Trustee, East Dublin Civic Association

1987-present, Nature Conservancy / Volunteer Service Awards / Volunteer Crew Leader

### **Outreach / Media Appearances**

Testimony to Oversight Committee of the Ohio Senate, December 22, 2020, on so-called "Stand Your Ground" laws.

B.R.E.A.D. (an interfaith organization dedicated to Building Responsibility Equality and Dignity), January 13, 2020, on gun violence in central Ohio.

Testimony to Federalism Committee of the Ohio House of Representatives, June 12, 2019, on concealed carry laws.

Worthington Senior Citizen Center, Inequality in the U.S., April 15, 2019

Canfield Residence Hall, Discussion of History of Criminal Enterprise in the U.S. with Undergraduate Students, April 10, 2019

"Gun Ownership in Decline," Columbus Dispatch, December 11, 2017.

"How the Erosion of Trust Leads to Murders and Mass Shootings," invited editorial, *Washington Post*, October 6, 2017

"Mass Murder in American History," CSpan-3, April 2, 2017

All Sides with Ann Fisher, WOSU Radio, "Mass Murder and Terrorism," December 9, 2015 and June 13, 2106; "The Recent Rise in Homicide in the United States," March 14, 2017.

Consultant for the TLC Channel, "Who Do You Think You Are Anyway?" 2013-2014

Appeared on the CSPAN Book Channel on September 1, 2012 (<a href="http://www.c-span.org/LocalContent/Columbus/">http://www.c-span.org/LocalContent/Columbus/</a>)

Appeared on the History Channel, "Seven Deadly Sins," January 3, 2009 (A&E Home Video)

"It's No Mystery: Why Homicide Declined in American Cities during the First Six Months of 2009," History News Network, November 22, 2009 (http://cjrc.osu.edu/researchprojects/hvd/AHSV/It's%20No%20Mystery%2011-22-2009%205-2010.pdf and http://cjrc.osu.edu/researchprojects/hvd/AHSV/It's%20No%20Mystery%20Further%20Thoughts%201-1-2010%205-2010.pdf)

Radley Balko, editor of reason.com, named *American Homicide* the best book of 2009 (http://reason.com/archives/2009/12/30/the-year-in-books)

"American Homicide," address to Columbus Rotary Club, October 24, 2011

Radio interviews: Execution Watch with Ray Hill on KPFT Houston, Texas, and WPFW Washington, D.C., Nov. 10, 2009; Focus 580 with David Inge, WILL, Champaign-Urbana, Illinois, December 7, 2009; RadioWest with Doug Fabrizio, KUER and XM Public Radio Channel 133, Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 17, 2009; The Mark Johnson Show of the Radio Vermont Group, WDEV, Waterbury, Vermont, Dec. 30, 2009; The Current with Anna Maria Tremonti on the CBC, Toronto, Canada, January 6, 2010; The Marc Steiner Show on WEAA in Baltimore, January 26, 2010; by ABC Radio, Sydney, Australia, interviewed on March 3, 2010 for broadcast the week of March 8, 2010; by the Extension with Dr. Milt Rosenberg on WGN Radio 720 AM Chicago, broadcast December 9, 2010; the Gil Gross Show, KKSF Radio 910 AM, San Francisco, July 27, 2012; and The Marc Steiner Show on WEAA in Baltimore, December 17, 2012; American Homicide was the subject of an editorial by op-ed writer Gregory Rodriguez in the Los Angeles Times, Sunday, April 12, 2010 (http://www.latimes.com/news/opinion/commentary/la-oe-rodriguez12-2010apr12,0,3217212.column)

American Homicide was the subject of an editorial by Raina Kelley in Newsweek, Nov. 5, 2009 (http://www.newsweek.com/id/221271).

American Homicide was cited favorably in the New York Times Sunday Magazine in an article by Jeffrey Rosen, "Prisoners of Parole," January 10, 2010; and in the Washington Post, Nov. 22, 2009

Newspaper articles: quoted and/or reviewed in the Washington Post, the Washington Times, the National Review, the Economist, the Wall Street Journal, the Boston Globe, the Chicago Tribune, the San Francisco Chronicle, the Los Angeles Times, the New York Times, New York Newsday, the Chronicle of Higher Education, and the Columbus Dispatch, which ran a front-page article on Roth's work in a Sunday edition